

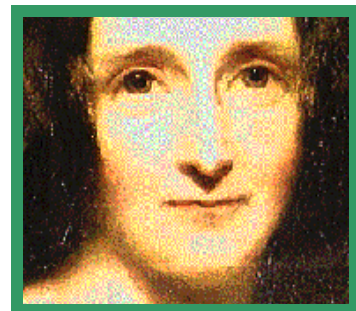
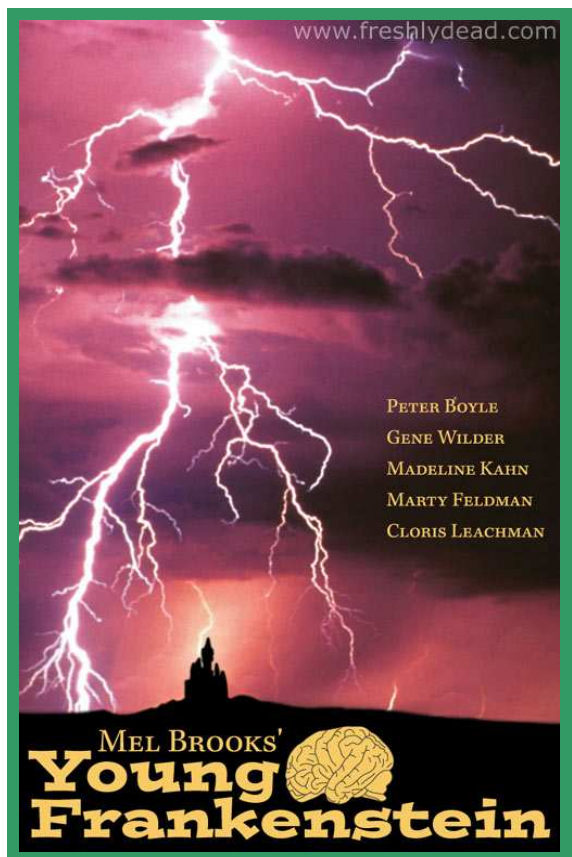
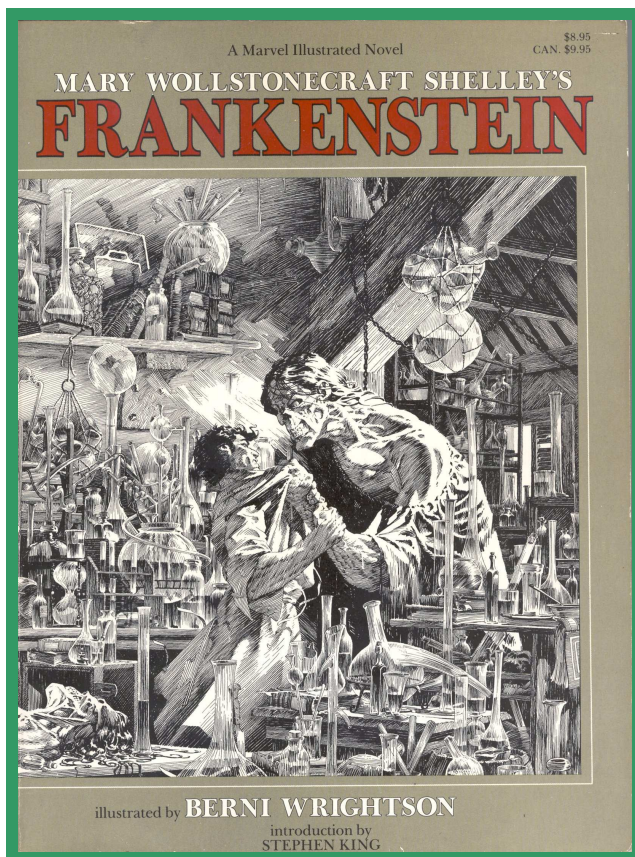
# SPEAKING

## What do you know about Frankenstein?

**Is it a famous monster's name?**

**Is it a cartoons' character? Is it a comic?**

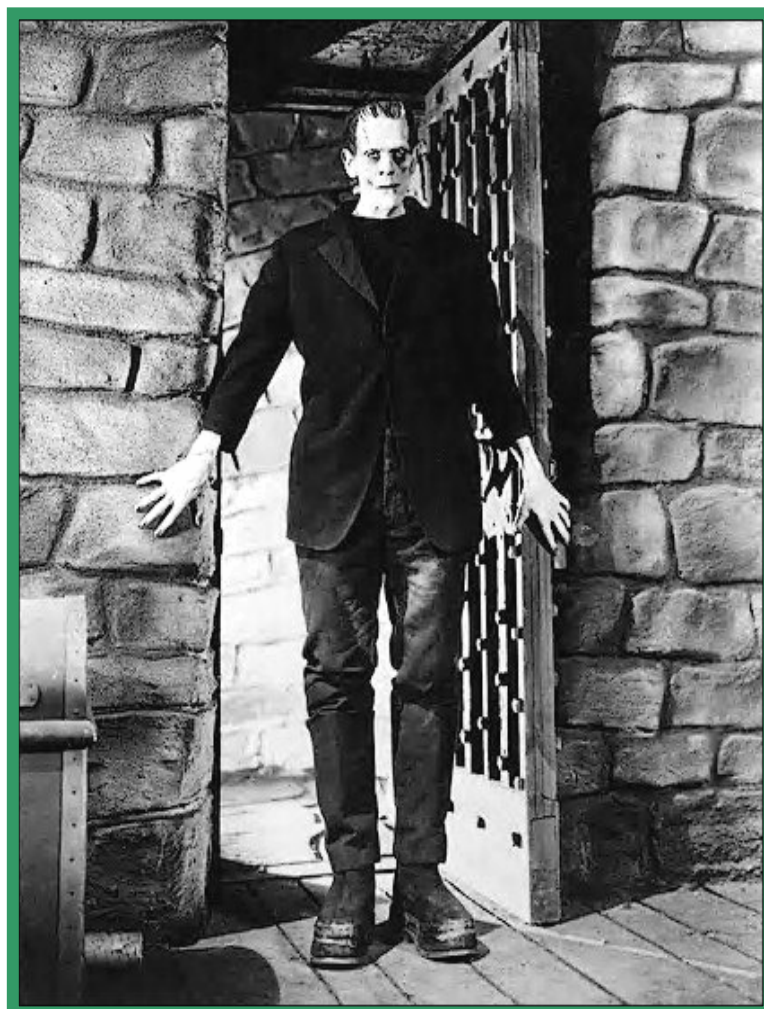
**Is it a film? Is it a novel?**



## READING

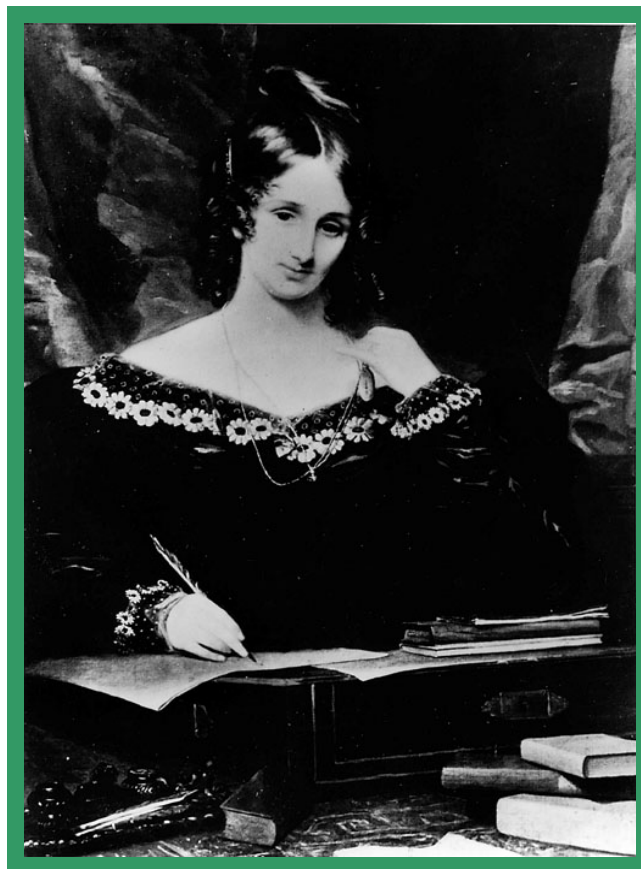
### The Birth of Frankenstein

Hollywood did not give birth to *Frankenstein*; Mary Shelley did. More than a century before actor Boris Karloff, helped by make-up artists, made the monster in his image, came Shelley and her creation. The mother of *Frankenstein* came from a British artistic and intellectual elite. Mary Shelley took her inspiration from a dream. She wrote her story having in mind the theories of some European scientists and thinkers



## A Dark and Stormy Night

In the summer of 1816, nineteen-year-old Mary Wollstonecraft Godwin and her lover, the poet Percy Shelley (whom she married later that year), visited the poet Lord Byron at his villa beside Lake Geneva in Switzerland. Stormy weather frequently forced them indoors, where they and Byron's other guests sometimes read from a volume of ghost stories. One evening, Byron challenged his guests to each write one themselves. Mary's story, inspired by a dream, became *Frankenstein*.



Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley (1797- 1851)



# WRITING

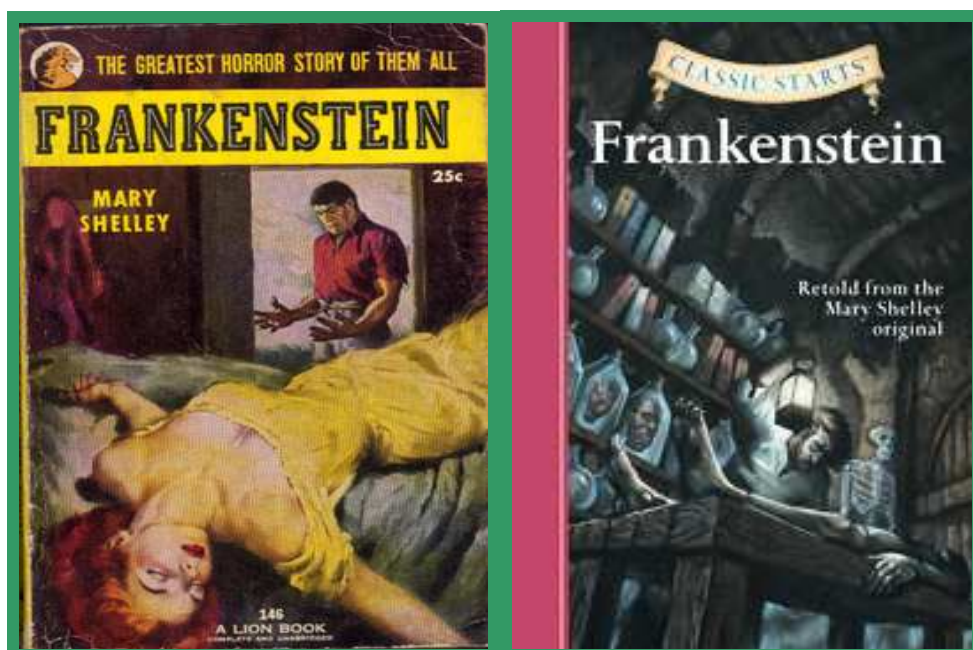
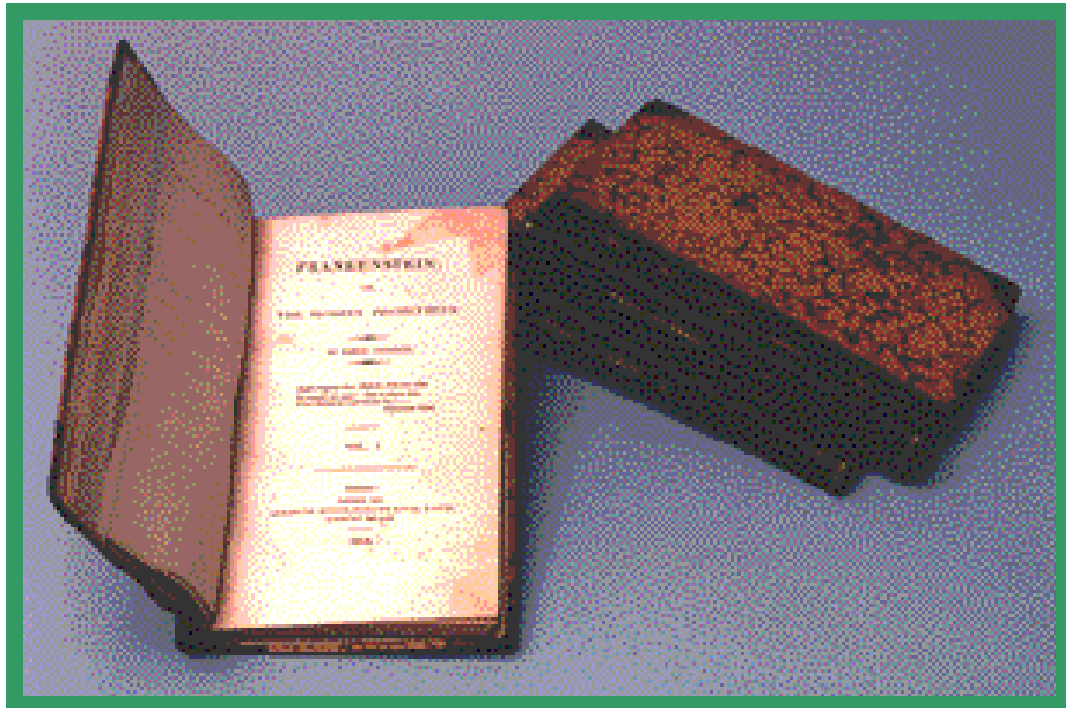
## Comprehension

1. Why do you think the text says that Hollywood did not give birth to *Frankenstein*?
2. Who helped Boris Karlof to create *Frankenstein*?
3. What material did Mary Shelley use to create *Frankenstein*?
4. How old was Mary Shelley when she wrote *Frankenstein*?
5. Where was Mary Shelley when she wrote *Frankenstein*?
6. Who was Mary Shelley with when she wrote *Frankenstein*?
7. Who asked his guests to each write a ghost story?
8. Do you know what *Frankenstein* is about?



**HAVE A LOOK!**

Different times different editions



## READING

### The film you are going to see

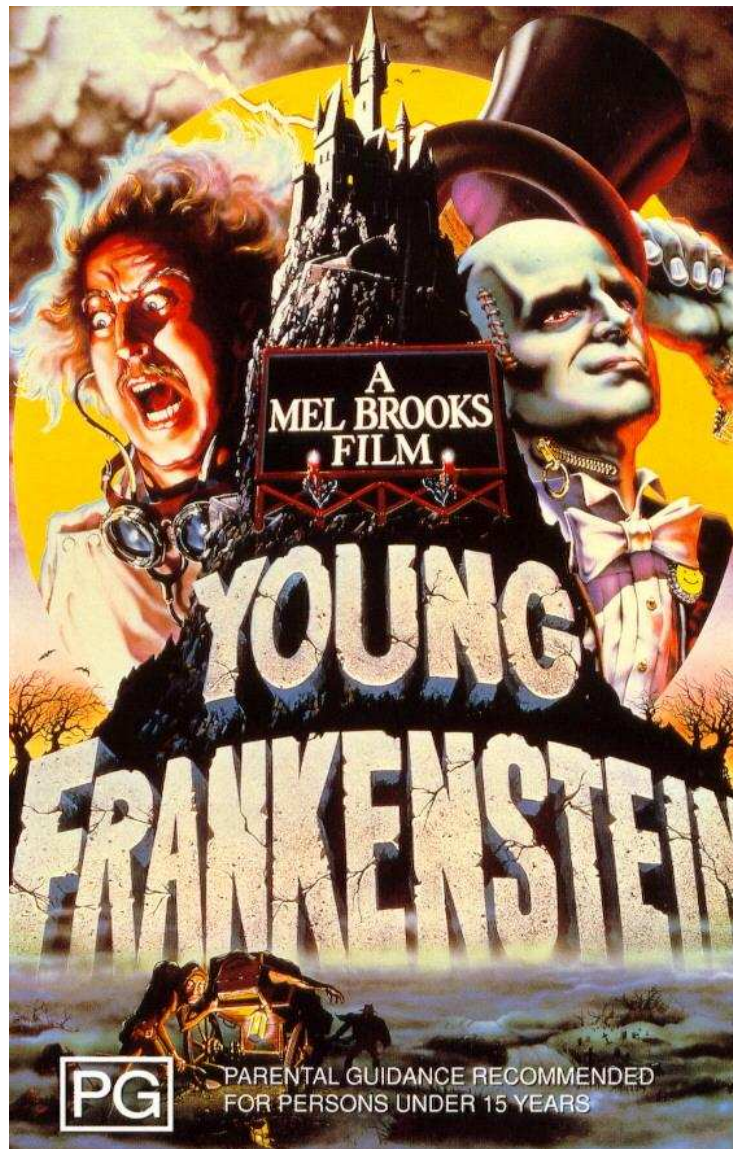


The movie is both a loving tribute and an irreverent parody of Universal's classic horror films *Frankenstein* (1931) and *Bride of Frankenstein* (1935). Filming in glorious black and white, Brooks re-created the *Frankenstein* laboratory using the same equipment from the original *Frankenstein*.



## **SPEAKING**

**Is the film entertaining, funny, comical or hilarious?**



**Would you recommend it? Why?**

**"Mel Brooks' *Young Frankenstein* ranks among the top-ten funniest movies of all time" Jeff Shannon**

**Amazon.com essential video**

## READING & WRITING

**What do they look like? What did they do in the story?**

➤ **Read Dr. F. Frankenstein's summary**

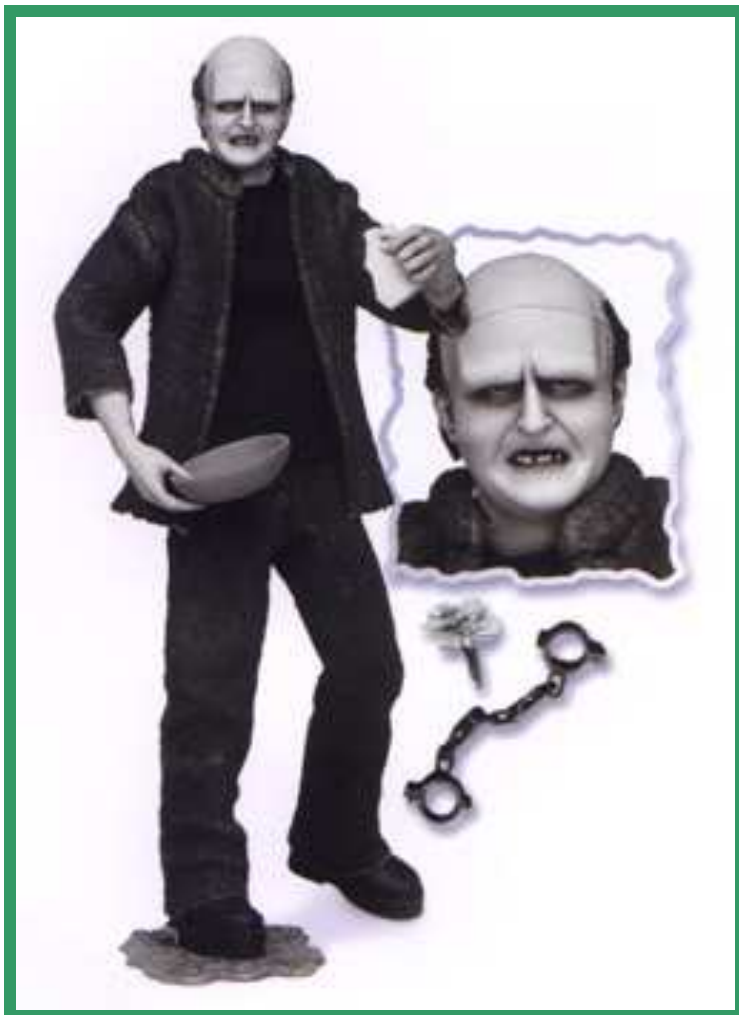


Dr. Frederick Frankenstein (Gene Wilder): wild haired, crazy surgeon.

**Dr. Frederick Frankenstein (Gene Wilder) is wild haired, crazy surgeon. He teaches at a medical college, he is really ashamed of his grandfather's work, even to the point of pronouncing his last name differently. But he will return to the ancestral mansion in the old country, where he discovers his grandfather's secret laboratory and diary. His grandfather's diary gives details of his experiments of bringing life to the dead.**



➤ **Read Frankenstein's summary**



Frankenstein  
(Peter Boyle):  
large body, huge  
forehead, sweet  
smile.

**He has got a large body, a huge forehead and a sweet smile. His brain was rather abnormal and when he falls in love with Elisabeth, Dr Frankenstein's fiancée, he kidnaps her. They have a kind of inter-racial relationship.**

➤ **write similar summaries for the other characters, use all the words about them.**



**Igor (Marty Feldman): lab-assistant,  
hunch-back,  
bug-eyed, changing hump.**



**Inga (Teri Garr): lab assistant, blond,  
sweet faced, voluptuous, not very  
clever.**



**Elizabeth (Madeline Kahn):** Dr. Frederick Frankenstein's fiancée, a very self-absorbed person.



**Frau Blucher (Cloris Leachman):** when her name is mentioned, one hears the horses neigh in terror. Spinster, housekeeper.



# PRONOUNCING

Three syllables, first syllable sounds like head, sounds like bed, said. Second syllable little word, this that the a, said a dirty word, said a dirty word, sounds like, to give, to give, give him a sedative, tive, tive, a sedative on the nosey, said a give”  
(Chapter 15, min 53)



**How do you pronounce “said”** said (SAY) /seɪd/ ?

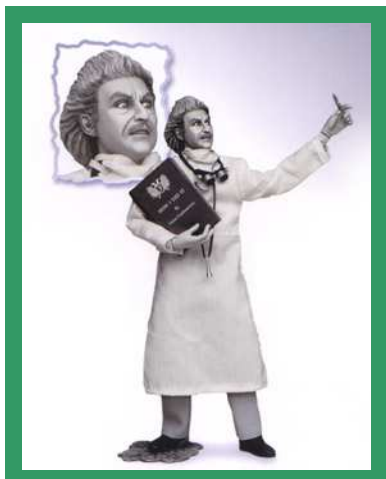
**It sounds like**

bed (FURNITURE) /bed/ head (BODY PART) /hed/ pet (ANIMAL) /pet/

bell /bel/

**How do you pronounce “Paid”** paid (PAY) /peɪd/ ?

**It sounds like** day /deɪ/ hay (GRASS) /heɪ/



# **CLASS CONTEST**

## **WHICH TEAM BEST REMEMBER CHAPTER 1?**

1. What was the weather like at the beginning of the film?
2. What time was at the beginning of the film?
3. Which title did old Frankenstein have?
4. What did the skeleton have in his hands?
5. How many skeletons are there at the beginning of the film?
6. What is professor's family name?
7. What was his grandfather's first name:
8. Did the old sick man in the classroom wear shoes?
9. Did Dr. Fronkonsteen insult the old sick man?
10. Which vegetable did Dr. Fronkonsteen compare the old sick man to?
11. Did Dr. Fronkonsteen pay the old sick man?
12. Did Dr. Fronkonsteen think it was possible to regenerate life?
13. What did Dr. Fronkonsteen say that he was a scientist or a philosopher?
14. Did Dr. Fronkonsteen consider that his grandfather was crazy?